

MISSOURI DEMOCRATS UNITE IN DECLARING COCKRELL LOGICAL CANDIDATE; STATE LEADERS WILL MEET IN ST. LOUIS TO PERFECT BOOM FOR PRESIDENCY.

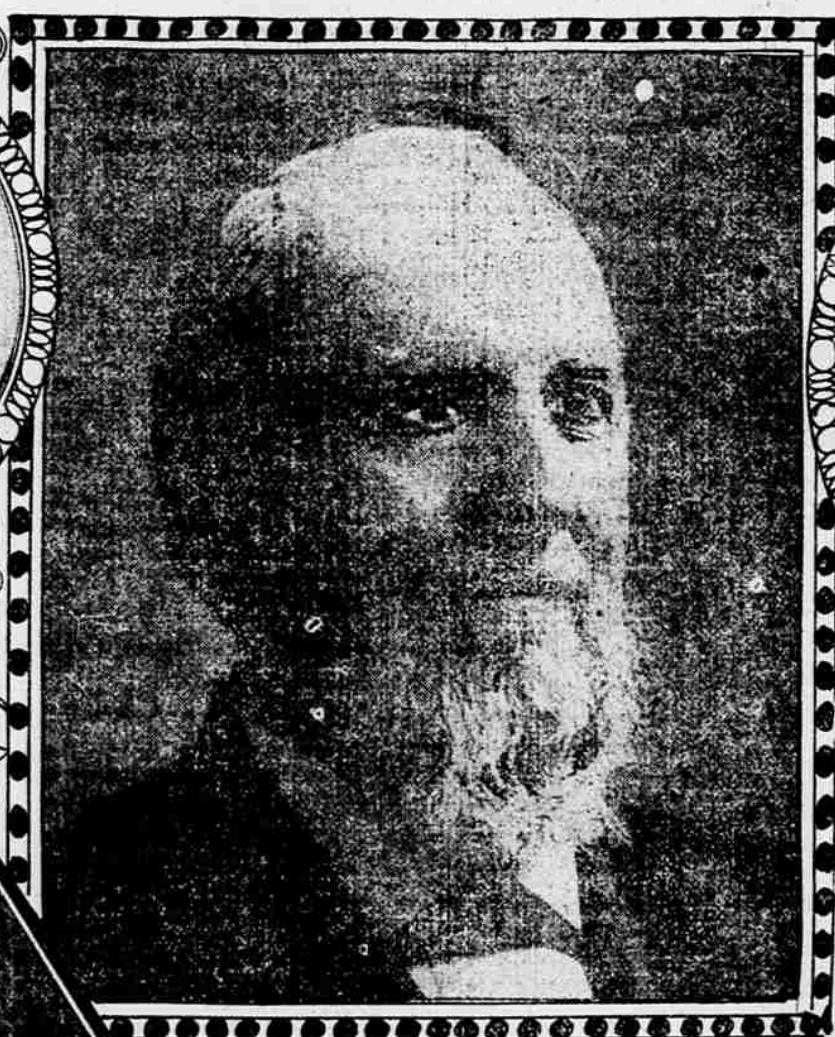
Suggestion Made by The Republic Two Years Ago and Which Was Given Additional Impetus by the Moberly Meeting Last Fall Is Gaining Strength Throughout the Country—Congressional Delegation Heartily Indorse Senator for Nation's Chief Executiveship and Say That Statements Regarding His Political Stand During the Civil War Can Be Met With Irrefutable Arguments.



STATE CHAIRMAN
WILL A. ROTHWELL OF MOBERLY,
WHO WILL PRESIDE



COLONEL
MOSES C.
WETMORE
OF ST. LOUIS



SENATOR
F. M. COCKRELL



COLONEL J. W. FORDYCE OF ST. LOUIS

For the first time since B. Gratz Brown was a figure in national politics, Missouri politicians have gone earnestly after a place on one of the great party tickets. Tuesday more than 500 Democrats from every corner of the State will meet in St. Louis to perfect the arrangements for carrying on the campaign.

Taking the lead, Democrats are determined just what can be done toward making United States Senator Francis M. Cockrell President. There is not a Democrat in the State who does not think him fitted by experience and capacity for the honor. Republicans, differing simply in party policy, are agreed in their praise of his integrity and genuine worth as a statesman.

The Cockrell movement has been of that slow growth which promises results. His friends—numbered wherever the kind influence of his character has been felt—became resolved on pushing his name forward as one around whom all could rally as long as two years ago. This week's meeting is a culmination of the movement in this State.

THE REPUBLIC MADE FIRST SUGGESTION.

It was nearly two years ago that The Republic first suggested him for the presidency at a time when the press of the whole country was discussing possibilities and impossibilities for the next nomination.

The comments from the country were universally favorable, the more so because of the fact that the nomination of such a man would prove beyond a doubt that the American War had indeed closed all the sectional wounds of the civil war.

Not the least hearty of the commendations came from newspapers and individuals who could best share their good spirit by indorsing him for the honor. During the heat of early summer last year at the Clinton Chautauqua a few friends of the Senator proposed to start the movement in earnest. Shortly afterwards announcement was made that a meeting would be held in Moberly in September. Friends of Cockrell went to meet and give an impetus to the boom.

Moberly was filled with visiting Democrats on the date of the meeting. Speeches were made by Governor Dockery, Senator W. J. Stone, State Chairman A. Rothwell, Attorney General Crow and Congressman Champ Clark laudatory to Senator Cockrell and pledging their active, earnest and sincere support of his name for the presidency. A resolution embodying this pledge was passed with a hurrah by the assembly. Ten days afterwards, when Circuit Attorney Folk made his announcement for the governorship, a similar resolution was passed by a crowd which filled the Tootle Opera-house in St. Joseph.

Since then little has been done except to lay general plans. The consent of Senator Cockrell has been secured, and he may be said to be actively interested in the progress of the movement. Every Democratic politician in the State has pledged himself to use his influence toward securing the election of Cockrell as United States Senator, provided he fails to be nominated for the presidency, or, nominated, fails of election.

DEMOCRATS WILL ORGANIZE PERMANENTLY.

A week or more ago State Chairman Will A. Rothwell of Moberly received a list of Democrats from Senator Cockrell. This was done in response to a suggestion that it would be well for the Democrats of the State to organize permanently for the campaign.

Invitations having this end in view have been sent out. Tuesday morning these visitors will meet in the ordinary dining-room of the Planters Hotel and be called to order by Chairman Rothwell. Secretary Thomas F. Mitchell of the State Committee will fill a similar position at the Cockrell meeting.

I do not know exactly what will be done, said Colonel Moses C. Wetmore, who has been one of the most active Democrats interested in the movement. He presented the resolution at the Moberly meeting. "I know we will discuss plans thoroughly, for we are going to nominate Frank Cockrell or I do not know myself."

Such work has been done of which the public knows nothing. Some of it will come to the surface Tuesday. We will have a permanent organization which will reach into every district of the State. I expect it will be necessary to arrange for the proper sort of demonstration at the National Convention which it meets here July 6.

But we are going to nominate and elect Cockrell. Rest assured of that."

MANY FAMILIAR FACES TO BE AT ST. LOUIS RALLY.

There will be many familiar faces in the meeting Tuesday. Colonel Samuel Fordyce, himself a Federal soldier, but one of the closest friends of Senator Cockrell, has promised to be on hand. "We Federal soldiers know Frank Cockrell well enough to know that our interests would be as safe in his hands as in the hands of any friend," is the view of Colonel Fordyce.

Major Harvey W. Salmon of Clinton will present as will Senator C. C. Dickinson of Clinton. They helped originate the movement last summer, and are personal friends of the Senator. Cockrell and soul in the effort. Governor Dockery, whose untrammeled expression of admiration for the Senator at the Moberly meeting showed his personal interest in seeing that the desire of the people should be carried out, will be here.

Senator Cockrell's old law partner, former Governor Crittenden of Kansas City, junior member of Cockrell & Crittenden of Warrensburg, has promised to be here. Lakeview Federal Judge John F. Phillips of Kansas City, old law partner of Senator Vest in Sedalia, expects to be present. Chairman Rothwell, of course, will be here. And so on down the list of well-known public men of the State.

DELEGATION SUPPORTS COCKRELL.

Declare That His Actions in Congress Fit Him for Chief Executiveship.

The Republic Bureau, 10th St. and Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, Feb. 6.—The Missouri delegation in Congress to a unit is determined to secure the nomination of Senator F. M. Cockrell for the presidency. They say that the movement will be urged to the end, and that it is in no sense merely complimentary.

They believe that the Missouri Senator is the best equipped of all the men who have been mentioned in connection with the Democratic nomination. They point to his long and conspicuous work in the upper branch of the national Legislature, and the remarkably high position he has won in the opinion of both parties.

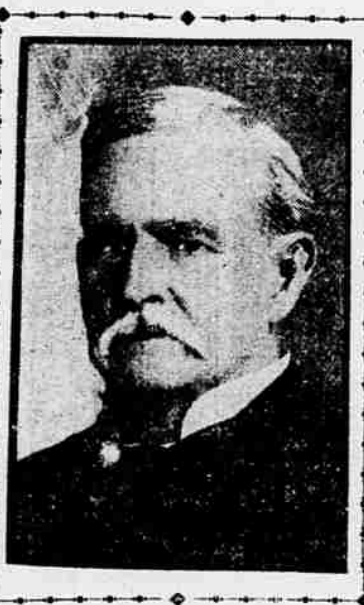
No man stands higher, either with Republicans or Democrats, in the Senate. Recently there has been a suggestion somewhat widely published that Senator Cockrell is an administration senator. In explanation of this it only need be said that Senator Cockrell is strong with the administration because of the great confidence President Roosevelt has in the accuracy of his judgment. It is said upon this point that in many of the contested patronage fights among Missouri Republicans Senator Cockrell's opinion has been asked more than once by the Republican President.

His statement as to the integrity and capacity of an applicant for office would be accepted as entirely fair. It is marked by the long and conspicuous work in the upper branch of the national Legislature, and the remarkably high position he has won in the opinion of both parties.

As to the suggested objection to his age, Senator Cockrell is a much younger man, physically, than many who have been mentioned for the Democratic nomination. He is not only stalwart and vigorous, but man in Washington works harder than Senator Cockrell, nor can many young men follow long hours more steadily.

Invariably the Senator rises at 8 o'clock on the stroke of the alarm clock. After breakfast he goes to his library, and after examining his mail, which generally calls for an hour or more of work, he goes to the Senate.

Because of his long service in Congress the Senator has many important committee positions. Some of these committees



MAJOR HARVEY W. SALMON
OF Clinton.

are in session daily. Their meetings occupy from 10 to 11, until the assembling of the Senate at noon. But Senator Cockrell's work does not cease when the Senate meets. When not speaking on some measure of importance, he is at work on the various papers which come to his desk. These embrace nearly every subject imaginable. They may relate to a patent, a pension, a claim, or an appropriation measure. But, whatever the paper may refer to, they are given the closest personal attention by the Senator. When he gives an opinion it is of value, and it has weight on both sides of the Senate.

And this suggests the best possible answer to any objection raised to Senator Cockrell's Confederate record. No man in the Senate has done more than he for the Union soldier. It may be said, in fact, that he holds the record for the biggest day's work ever performed by any Senator in the matter of actually passing bills.

For instance, in one day Senator Cockrell caused to be passed twenty-two private pension bills. What Senator could have done more for the cause of deserving Union soldiers than has been done by this former Confederate?

When Senator Cockrell first entered the Senate he was assigned to the Committee on Military Affairs. The chairman then was Hamilton Hamlin of Maine, who had a little observation of Senator Cockrell. He noticed the disposition of the Missouri Senator to pass as fairly and liberally upon the claims of Union men as could be done by any Republican Senator.

COMPLIMENTED FOR FAIRNESS BY STRONG UNION SENATOR.

If the claims were meritorious the Senator would move to report them favorably and Chairman Hamlin in a very few days

astonished the committee by announcing: "Let us give Cockrell a good part of these bills to pass upon and report for us. He will do the work as fairly to Union men as we could do it."

What better evidence could be had that this former Confederate would be perfectly safe in the charge of even the highest executive office?

His strength in the Senate in more recent years has grown apace. In the trying days of the Spanish war, it was Senator Cockrell that the management of the Senate looked to for advice on important military matters. The Senator is a recognized authority upon army matters and great influence in shaping military legislation.

Another matter which would show conclusively his great influence, is a Republican Congress was the World's Fair appropriation. Securing \$3,000,000 for the fair, which was accomplished at a time when other cities were denied much smaller amounts, shows clearly the great influence he has in the Senate of the United States.

It is for such reasons that Senator Cockrell's friends say that he would be a most available man for the presidency. He is looked upon as conservative, as a "safe" man, as a man who would be entirely safe to the great business interests of the country.

There is another reason which commends the movement, namely, that Senator Cockrell's record is not only a record of successful administration, but a record of successful legislation.

The general confidence in his "safety" is based upon Senator Cockrell's remarkable training in varied public matters. He has gathered in thirty years of service in the Senate. It is often said that he has more accurate information about different governmental questions than is possessed by any other Senator.

By his long service on the Military Affairs Committee, he has gathered information with details concerning all the various Government departments. Such training is invaluable to him in the office of chief executive.

The feeling of enthusiasm for the Cockrell movement is gathered by the following brief expressions: Representative C. W. Hamlin: "I am for Senator Cockrell for President. First, last and all the time. I believe that he would make us a strong candidate for President. His long record in the Senate with details concerning all the various Government departments. Such training is invaluable to him in the office of chief executive."

Representative Lamar said: "I believe the nomination of Senator Cockrell would do as much as any man to unify all elements of the party. There is not a man in Missouri for whom the people entertain a higher regard, after taking to men from all parts of the country. I am satisfied that Senator Cockrell is looked upon as one of the safest and best of all the men who could be nominated."

Representative Shackelford said: "I cannot say too much in enthusiastic support of the Cockrell movement. I believe that he is by all means the most available man on the floor and I hope to see him nominated. No man could better appeal to the conservative influences of the country."

Other expressions could be quoted, but they would merely multiply what has been stated by Messrs. Lamar and Hamlin. All the Missourians say that the Cockrell movement is on the right track, and that there is no man in the State who is better qualified for the presidency than Senator Cockrell.

presidency, but, as the time approaches for the nomination, he is likely to be considered more seriously because of his so eminent a degree, is recognized as having the necessary qualifications for this exalted position.

"He would as nearly as any one I know reconcile the different elements to be reckoned with in this party. He supported zealously both the candidate and the platform in 1896 and 1900, but would prove acceptable to Democrats, East or West."

"In discussing candidates, one seldom hears any valid objection to his candidacy. If it is said that he is in the geographical center of the country, in a State that was equally loyal to the North and the South."

"The truth is that, when availability, adaptability, competency and special fitness are considered, as they will be, Missouri's claims for Cockrell cannot be ignored."

A BRILLIANT SUCCESS.

May, Stern & Co.'s Clean Sweep Sale Is the Talk of the Town.

To-morrow morning at 8 o'clock May, Stern & Co.'s semi-annual Clean Sweep Sale begins its second week, with every prospect of surpassing even last week's brilliant record.

These clearing sales have become semi-annual affairs at May, Stern & Co.'s, and are looked forward to by economical buyers with the greatest expectancy, for they also abound in bargains of the most unusual character. This sale, which began last Monday, brought out one of the biggest crowds ever seen at any furniture sale in St. Louis, and their big force of salesmen were kept on the jump from Monday morning till Saturday night. If last week's crowds are a criterion, this sale will prove the most successful that May, Stern & Co. have ever held.

In this sale extraordinary reductions have been made in prices from one end of the store to the other, while all odds and ends, short lines and discontinued patterns are slashed to almost incredibly low prices to rush them out and make room for the new spring stock which is now rolling in. This season, in view of the approach of the World's Fair, May, Stern & Co. have bought particularly heavy, and are therefore especially anxious to clear their store and warehouses of everything that belongs to the season just closing before putting their new and immense stock on sale.

This condition of affairs adds interest to the sale. The goods must go, and the prices have been made low enough to make them go. A visit to May, Stern & Co.'s will prove particularly interesting to those who are contemplating getting new things for the home or who desire to furnish up their rooms for World's Fair visitors.

May, Stern & Co.'s advertisement on another page of this paper is packed with the kind of bargains that no frugal person could resist.

"SCHOOL OF MATRIMONY."

Bill in Iowa Legislature Proposes Entirely New Experiment.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 6.—A school of matrimony is the purpose of a bill introduced in the House of the Iowa Legislature to-day by Doctor Dashiell. It provides for the appointment by the Governor of a Director of Marriage Instruction, at \$3,000 a year and \$500 expense, to instruct candidates for marriage, to whom marriage licenses will be issued on presentation of a certificate that they had been instructed. However, to make the bill constitutional it is worded that if any applicant for a license file a protest against taking this instruction, the license to marry shall be issued just the same.

Oil Fever at Mattoon, Ill.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Mattoon, Ill., Feb. 6.—The people of Mattoon are somewhat agitated over the prospect of some big oil wells within the next few months. Alex. R. McDonald, general manager and secretary of the Oil-Finding and Development Company of Chicago, is in the city and says the city is underlain with oil.

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Losers Entertain Winners.
The Missouri Council entertained the Standard Council of the National Union last Thursday evening at the hall of the Missouri Council, Garrison avenue and Olive street. The entertainment was in payment of an agreement between the two councils as to which was to gain the greater number of members in a month, the losing council to entertain.

Professor Heller's Lecture.
Professor Heller of Washington University will deliver the second lecture of the course of four, dealing with modern authors of Germany, next Thursday evening. The play will be discussed upon at this lecture will be familiar to those who have had recent opportunity to see Eleanor and Mrs. Patrick Campbell and other famous actresses.

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